GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1848
ANSWERED ON:08.03.2006
BHARATVANSHIYA JNYAN NETWORK
Gangwar Shri Santosh Kumar

Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government has decided to constitute `Bharatvanshiya Jnyan Network` to exploit the expertise and skill of Indian diaspora in order to expedite the developmental process in the country;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) The time by which it is likely to be constituted?

Answer

MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (VAYALAR RAVI)

(a) to (c): Yes. A proposal for establishing the Diaspora Knowledge Network

(DKN) that can utilize the knowledge resources of the Indian Diaspora and facilitate interaction between the providers of knowledge and its users in India such as educational institutions, research laboratories, industry and Government Programmes, through the use of Information and Communication Technologies is under consideration. The DKN will be established after consultation with the relevant stakeholders like United Nations, Diaspora knowledge hubs, Private sector partners and concerned State Governments in India.